

District Judge Ricardo S. Martinez

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT SEATTLE

GERALD EMTAGE, *et al.*,

Plaintiffs,

v.

MERRICK B. GARLAND, *et al.*,

Defendants.

CASE NO. 2:23-cv-00267-RSM

JOINT STIPULATION AND ORDER TO
CONTINUE DEADLINENoted for consideration on:
May 2, 2023

Plaintiffs and Defendants, pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 6 and Local Rules 10(g) and 16, jointly stipulate and move to extend Defendants' time to respond to the Complaint until May 22, 2023. Plaintiffs bring this litigation pursuant to the Administrative Procedure Act and the Mandamus Act seeking, *inter alia*, to compel U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services ("USCIS") to adjudicate their Form I-130, Petition for Alien Relative, and Form I-485, Application to Register Permanent Residence or Adjust Status. Dkt. No. 1. Defendants' current response deadline is May 8, 2023.

The parties submit there is good cause for the requested extension. USCIS anticipates acting on the applications shortly. To provide time for USCIS to continue processing the pending

1 applications, the parties jointly request that the Court extend Defendants' deadline to respond to
2 the Complaint until May 22, 2023.

3 DATED this 2nd day of May, 2023.

4 Respectfully submitted,

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ORDER

It is **SO ORDERED**.

DATED this 4th day of May, 2023.



RICARDO S. MARTINEZ
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE